

BY-LAW NO. 2 – FEES AND DUES

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A By-law relating to the fees and dues for the Association of Professional Geoscientists of Ontario as approved by Council on September 7, 2001.

BE IT ENACTED

as a By-law of the Association of Professional Geoscientists of Ontario (hereinafter called the “Association”) as follows:

APPLICATION FEES

1. An applicant for a Certificate of Registration shall pay the application fees as set out in Schedule “A”.
2. An applicant for a Certificate of Registration shall pay any applicable examination fees as set out in Schedule “A”.
3. An applicant for a Certificate of Authorization shall pay the application fees as set out in Schedule “A”.
4. An applicant for reinstatement of a Certificate of Registration or a Certificate of Authorization shall pay the fees as set out in Schedule “A”.
5. Council may, from time to time, modify the amount and/or structure of any application fees as it deems appropriate.
6. All application and other fees are non-refundable.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

7. Each member shall pay annual membership dues for a Certificate of Registration as set out in Schedule “A” commencing with the first year of his or her admission.
8. Each corporation, partnership or other entity required to hold a Certificate of Authorization shall pay annual membership dues as set out in Schedule “A” commencing with the first year of admission.
 - (a) A sole practitioner in a corporation or other entity shall pay the annual membership dues as set out in Schedule “A”.
 - (b) Two practitioners in a corporation, partnership or other entity shall pay the annual membership dues as set out in Schedule “A”.
 - (c) Three or more practitioners in a corporation, partnership or other entity, shall pay the annual membership dues as set out in Schedule “A”.
9. Council shall, from time to time, establish a due date for payment of the annual membership dues for a Certificate of Registration and Certificate of Authorization. The Registrar shall send an invoice with the date for payment of annual membership dues to the member or to the corporation, partnership or other entity holding a certificate to the last known address on file with the Association not less than sixty (60) days prior to the date of required payment.
10. The annual membership due is deemed to be a debt owed by the member or certificate holder to the Association and may be enforced with costs through civil proceedings.
11. In the event that the Association does not receive payment of annual membership dues within sixty (60) days of the due date, the Registrar shall provide notice of suspension to the member or certificate holder which shall be effective as of the date of the notice. Upon investigation, the Registrar may recommend to Council that the membership be revoked and that the name of the member or certificate holder be removed from the register.
12. If the name of a member or a certificate holder is removed from the register, the person or organization ceases to be registered and shall, if desired, apply for reinstatement in accordance with By-law No. 3.

DUES RELIEF

13. Council, the Registration Committee or the Registrar may, from time to time, defer, reduce or waive annual membership dues of any member who may be unemployed, incapacitated by reason of health, on parental/maternity leave or for any other reason deemed appropriate.

14. A member who requests relief from annual dues shall pay not less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the annual membership dues. The remaining balance shall be remitted to the Association upon the member's return to active professional practice in that membership year.
15. Any outstanding balance shall be included in the next annual membership dues statement as an additional amount to be paid unless a request is approved for dues relief.

REPLACEMENT CERTIFICATES

16. A holder of a Certificate of Registration or a holder of a Certificate of Authorization may request a replacement of the certificate from the Registrar and shall pay the fee as set out in Schedule "A".

APPEAL DEPOSITS

17. In the event that a member wishes to appeal a decision of the Association wherein an appeal is permitted, the member shall pay the deposit as set out in Schedule "B".
18. If the appeal is successful, the appeal deposit shall be refunded to the member.
19. Council may, from time to time, modify the amount and/or structure of any appeal deposit as set out in Schedule "B".

Schedule "A"

APPLICATION FEES AND MEMBERSHIP DUES

Application Fees

Application for Certificate of Registration fee	\$275
Application for Transfer from Another Association fee	\$275
Application for a Certificate of Authorization fee	\$175
Application for Geoscientist-in-Training fee	\$100
Application for PPE Examination fee	\$210
Application for Examination fee (confirmatory or technical)	\$210
Application for Reinstatement fee	\$175
Application for Change of Designation	\$75

Membership Dues

Practising member annual dues	\$400
Retired (non-practising) member annual dues	\$75
Temporary member annual dues	\$400
Limited member annual dues	\$175
Certificate of Authorization annual dues	
Sole practitioner	\$250
Two practitioners	\$400
Three or more practitioners	\$1000
Geoscientist-in-Training annual dues	\$140
Student dues (per academic year)	\$25

Other Fees

Replacement of Certificate fee	\$50
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Schedule "B"

APPEAL DEPOSITS *

Appeal of Registrar's decision to Registration Committee	\$100
Appeal of Registration Committee decision to Council	\$100
Appeal of Suspension or Revocation of Certificate of Registration	\$100
Appeal of Suspension or Revocation of Certificate of Authorization	\$100
Appeal of Complaint Hearing Decision	\$500
Appeal of Discipline Hearing Decision	\$500
Appeal of Examination Result	\$100

*** Applicants/members are responsible for any additional associated costs.**